

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

SONIA L. GARCIA

Plaintiff,

vs.

MICHAEL J. ASTRUE,
Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

Civil No. 3:07-CV-5201-KLS

ORDER FOR REMAND

Based upon the stipulation of the parties, it is hereby ORDERED that the above-captioned case be remanded to the Commissioner of Social Security for further administrative proceedings, further development of the record, a new hearing and a new decision. On remand, the ALJ will: 1) further evaluate all of Plaintiff's mental impairments particularly her depression and panic disorder; 2) re-evaluate the opinions of Drs. Neims, Houck, Wingate, Barnard, and Price, and explain the weight if any they are to be given; 3) if necessary, obtain supplemental medical expert testimony, other than from Dr. Lewy to clarify the nature and severity of Plaintiff's mental impairments; 4) consider all of the lay witness evidence and explain the weight, if any, accorded to each, or


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1 provide germane reasons for rejecting any of them; 5) in light of the expanded record, re-evaluate
2 Plaintiff's residual functional capacity pursuant to SSR 96-8p; 6) upon the expanded record, if
3 necessary, obtain supplemental evidence from a vocational expert to clarify the effect of the
4 assessed limitations on Plaintiff's ability to perform any other work that exists in significant
5 numbers in the national economy.
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7 Plaintiff may present new arguments and evidence. The ALJ may perform further
8 development and conduct further proceedings as necessary.
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10 This case is reversed and remanded pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g).
11 Upon proper presentation, this Court will consider Plaintiff's application for costs, expenses and
12 attorney's fees under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. §§ 2412(a),(d).
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14 DATED this 1st day of October, 2007.
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18 Karen L. Strombom
19 United States Magistrate Judge

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